Telephone Waiting List Clearance in Delhi and Bombay

104. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken any decision for clearance of the general category of waiting telephone lists for the telephone applicants registered in Delhi and Bombay as reported in the 'Times of India' dated the 15th August, 1991;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) by when the waiting list of such category of persons registered in Delhi in 1989 likely to be cleared; and

(d) what is the present position in this regard in Rajasthan State indicating the time limit of clearance under general category of registered applicants?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to clear waiting lists for telephone connections under General category registered upto December, 1984 in Bombay and Delhi by 31.3.1992.

(c) The applicants registered under General categry in 1989 in Delhi and expected to get telephones by December, 1994.

(d) There are 90207 applicants as on 30.6.1991 registered under General category for telephone connections in Rajasthan State. This waiting list is likely to be cleared progressively by March 1990.

Prevention of Armed Intrusion on Punjab Border

105. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the measures adopted by Government to prevent armed intrusion on the Punjab border have yielded encouraging results; and

(b) if so, whether there is any proposal to further improve these measures?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The situation on the Punjab border is reviewed from time to time with a view to find out the loop-holes and take necessary preventive measures.

Operational Losses of DTC

106. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any assessment so far of the extent of operational losses suffered by D.T.C.; and

(b) if so, the details of those losses due to each of the following factors; (i) uneconomic fare structure of D.T.C.; (ii) rising cost of labour and material inputs; (iii) concessions given to students and weaker sections of the society through concessional passes; and (iv) heavy interest burden on loans?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimated operational losses as on 31.3.1991 due to

(i) Uneconomic fare structure of DTC and rising cost of labour and material inputs. . . . . Rs. 204.87 crores

(ii) Concessions given to students and weaker sections of the society through concessional passes. . . . . Rs. 102.00 crores

The interest burden on loans (which is not a part of the operational loss as DTC are not paying the same Rs. 184.88 crores.

"लिट्टे" प्रमुख को गिरफ्तारी के लिये श्रीलंका से अनुरोध

107. डा० रत्नाकर पांडेय : क्या विदेश मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार, "लिट्टे" प्रमुख प्रभाकरन की गिरफ्तार कर उसे भारत-सरकार को सुपुर्द करने के लिए श्रीलंका सरकार से अनुरोध किये जाने के किसी सुझाव पर विचार कर रही है ताकि राजीव गांधी हत्याकांड की जांच-प्रक्रिया को शीघ्र पूरा किया जा सके ; यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण ने ?

विदेश मंत्री (श्री माधव सिंह सोलंकी) : (क) और (ख) जी, नहीं राजीव गांधी की हत्या के मामले में विशेष जांच दल द्वारा जांच का काम अभी चल रहा है और अभी उस स्थिति में नहीं पहुंचा है जबकि हम इस हत्याकांड का किसी संदिग्ध व्यक्ति के प्रत्यावर्तन के बारे में एक विदेशी सरकार से अनुरोध कर सकें । अगर इस संदर्भ में अग्रिम कार्रवाई करने की जरूरत समझी भी गई तो प्रभाकर के प्रत्यार्पण के लिए कहने का कोई कारण नहीं होगा क्योंकि मौजूदा हालात में श्रीलंका की सरकार इस स्थिति में नहीं है कि वह उसे भारत सरकार के सुपुर्द कर सके ।

Justice Mulla Committee on Jila reforms

108. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the salient features of the recommendations of Justice Mulla Committee on Jail reforms; and

(b) what are the details of the recommendations which have been implemented ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) The salient features of the recommendations of the All India Committee on Jail Reforms headed by Justice A. N. Mulla include, *inter alia*, comprehensive legislation on prison administration, measures for increasing security and discipline, improvement in living conditions of prisoners, rehabilitation programmes for prisoners, treatment of young offenders and development of prison personnel.

(b) 'Prison' is a state subject and most of the recommendation of Mulla Committee are to be implemented by the State Governments. There are, however, some recommendations which pertain to the Central Government. The thrust of these recommendations are that the Central Government should assist the States in modernising prison administration. A scheme for Modernisation of Prison Administration